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House Health and Human Services Committee Holds Workshop on State Employee Health Insurance Program

Tallahassee, Fla. – The House Health and Human Services Committee, chaired by Representative Robert Schenck (R-Spring Hill), today held a workshop on the State Employee Health Insurance Program. The workshop included a briefing for committee members on the program, as well as a discussion on the impact of the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, in preparation for considering future options for the program. The workshop was held during a regularly scheduled committee meeting on Thursday, January 27, 2011, from 10:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

"The federal healthcare law is going to have a huge impact on health care in Florida," said Representative Schenck. "And, it is important that our committee is fully briefed on the implications of the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act so that we can make wise policy decisions going forward with respect to the State Employee Health Insurance Program."

"This is just the first conversation that lawmakers will have on the federal healthcare law as it will affect Florida dramatically on numerous levels," concluded Representative Schenck.